

**JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE SECOND CIRCUIT
ANNOUNCEMENT FOR BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP**

The Second Circuit Judicial Council invites applications from highly-qualified candidates for a Bankruptcy Judge position in the Southern District of New York. The person selected will maintain chambers in Bowling Green, New York. The selection process will be confidential and competitive. Applicants will be considered without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation or disability.

The term of office is 14 years. The current annual salary is \$185,012

The Second Circuit uses an open and competitive selection process. All applications are screened by a Merit Selection Committee. The Committee will review applicants using the following criteria: legal competence evidenced by experience with complex legal issues; an aptitude for legal scholarship and writing; and familiarity with the courts and court processes; commitment to equal justice under the law, characteristics indicative of a sound judicial temperament; a reputation for integrity, good character and ethical behavior; and physical and mental health sufficient to meet the demands and tenure of the position. The Merit Selection Committee will select a limited number of applicants for interview and will conduct appropriate due diligence inquiries into the candidates' backgrounds and qualifications. Upon a majority vote of the Judicial Council, the Council will forward the Merit Selection Committee's Report with any recommendations or comments to the Active Judges of the Court of Appeals. The selected nominee will be required to satisfy FBI and IRS background investigations prior to appointment.

Basic qualifications for consideration include:

1. Admission to practice before the highest court of at least one state, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico;
2. Membership in good standing of at least one state bar or the District of Columbia bar and were never other than in good standing of every bar of which they have been a member; and
3. A minimum of five years of legal practice experience.

Application forms will be distributed **commencing on Monday, February 9, 2015** and may be obtained from the Court's website at www.ca2.uscourts.gov or by calling (212) 857-8700 or faxing (212) 857-8680.

Completed application packages must be in the format required by the Second Circuit and received no later than noon EST on Friday, March 27, 2015 without exception.

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